

# Inspectors General in the States

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# Experience & Background

- 20 years IG experience
- Founder, Director of Association of Inspectors General
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# Inspector General Concept

- **Federal IGs**
- **State and Local IGs**
- **Great Variation**



# Federal IGs - 1978 IG Act

- **Mandate:**
  - Promote economy, efficiency, effectiveness
  - Prevent and detect fraud and abuse
- **Dual Reporting - Agency Head & Congress**

# Federal IGs - 1978 IG Act

- **Establishment IGs (29)**

- Appointed by President with advice and consent of Senate
- Removal by President; reasons given to House and Senate

- **Designated Federal Entity IGs (31)**

- Appointed by agency head
- Removal by agency head; reasons given to House and Senate



# Other Federal IGs

- **Federal Entity IGs**

- **Optional under 1978 Act**
- **Agency heads report annually to Congress on status and activities**
- **Not subject to most provisions**

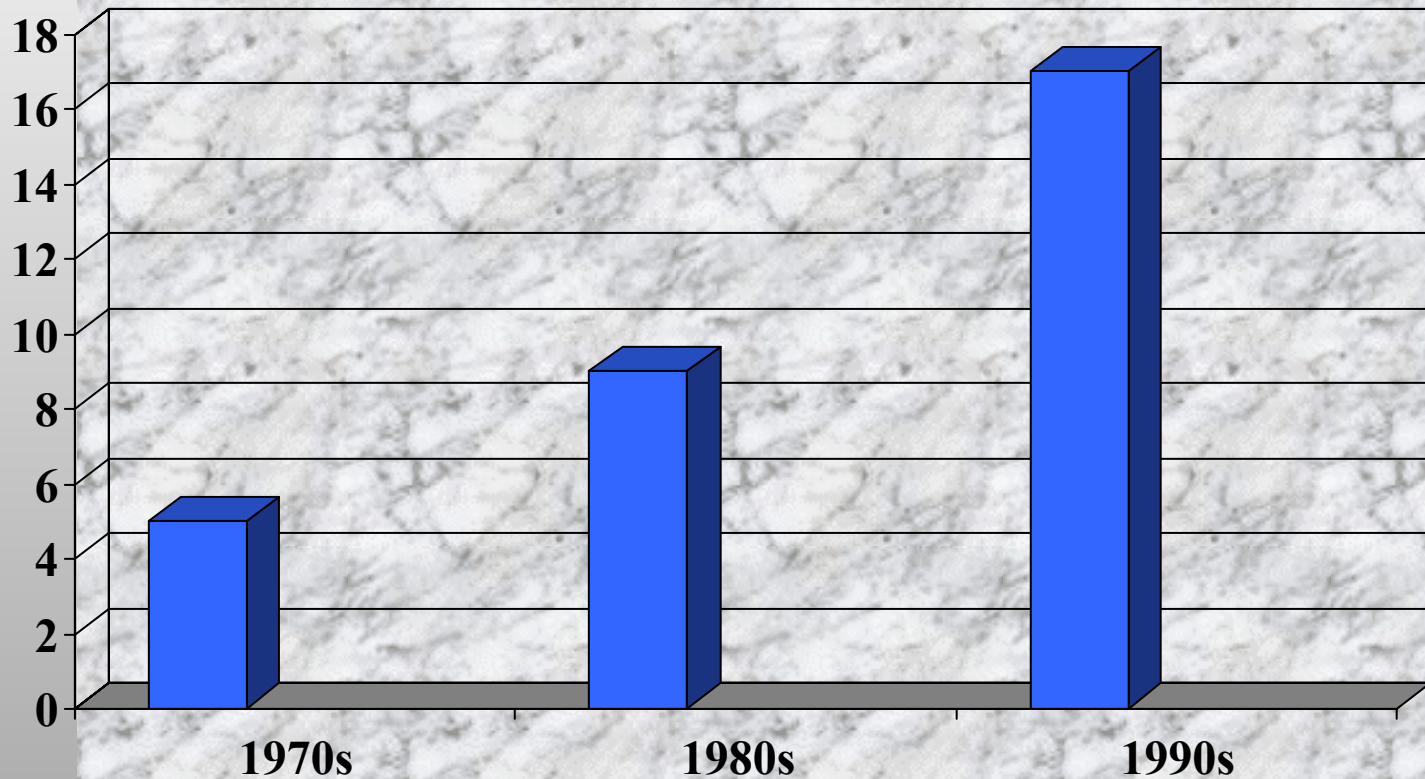
- **Others**

- **Central Intelligence Agency - PCIE member, similar to IG Act**
- **House of Representatives**



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# State IGs - When Established



Note: All Florida IG counted as one.



# State IGs - Variations

- **Source of authority**
  - Statutory
  - Administrative
- **Scope and mandate**
  - Statewide
  - Agency or department
  - Program
- **Independence**
- **Powers**

# Inspector General Principles

- Mandate
- Authority
- Powers
- Confidentiality
- IG and staff qualifications
- Independence
- Whistleblower protections



# Inspector General Standards

- Quality Standards for Offices
- Quality Standards for Investigations
- Quality Standards for Inspections, Evaluations, and Reviews
- Quality Standards for Audits

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*Principles and Standards for Offices of Inspector General*, May 2000, Association of Inspectors General  
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